REGISTRATION FORM **Select Location:** □ Lexington, KY □ Louisville, KY Tues. Nov. 7, 2006 Mon. Nov. 13, 2006 8:00am-5:00pm 8:00am-5:00pm University of University of Kentucký Louisville **UK Student** Swain Student Center **Activities Center** Registration Fee: \$25.00 **Business Name:** Business Address: City Attendee Name: Attendee Title: Business Ph: Business E-Mail: Business Industry: List ethnicity: Check Gender: □ Male □ Female DBE □ MBE Certified As: □ 8(a)/SDB □ WBE □ MSD Method of Payment: □ Check (Payable to KSBDC) ⊓ Visa □ MasterCard Credit Card #: **Expiration Date:**

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KENTUCKY SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER PRESENTS

What Can Certification Do for YOU? Symposium



For
Minority and
Women-Owned
Businesses





WHAT IS CERTIFICATION?

Certification is a review process to verify the small business is owned, controlled and operated by the applicant. Certifying agencies are responsible for ensuring only firms meeting the specified eligibility criteria are properly certified.

SYMPOSIUM GOAL:

The symposium's goal is to increase the number of certified minority and women-owned firms in the Commonwealth of Kentucky; thereby, creating economic impact throughout the state.

Opportunities exist for minority and women-owned firms capable of producing quality products and services at competitive prices. Certification, although not a guarantee for business, can be used as a marketing tool to open doors within the private and public sectors.

HOW YOU SHOULD PREPARES

The private and public sectors purchase a large variety of products and services; but, just as your business doesn't purchase everything your neighboring business does, neither do all private and public entities purchase the same products or services. Prior to attending the symposium, you should have a general idea of what private and public entities use your products and services. Knowing this prior to coming to the symposium will help you determine which, if any, of the five certifications will best serve the needs of your company.

Please note most "business to consumer" type of businesses don't need to become certified i.e. certification is primarily for "business to business" type of firms.

For additional Information: www.KSBDC.org (888) 475-7232



AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Booths Open

9:00 a.m. Guest Speaker, Tom Masterson President, T.E.M. Electric

9:50 a.m. Review of the following certifications:

•Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)

•Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)

•Women Business Enterprise (WBE)

•8(a) & Small Disadvantage Business (SDB)

•Louisville & Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD)

11:00 a.m. Break

11:30 a.m. Lexington, Lunch & Keynote Speaker

Dr. Lee Todd, Jr., President University of Kentucky

Louisville, Lunch & Keynote Speaker

Secretary Bill Nighbert

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

1:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions for certifying agencies

Agency will review the certification

process and application.

2:45 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions for certifying agencies

Agency will review the certification

process and application.

*5:00 p.m. Program Adjourns

*Minority and women-owned businesses needing additional assistance in filling out the application can attend a follow-up session to receive more individualized help. Date of follow-up session to be determined.

CERTIFYING AGENCIES AND CERTIFICATIONS

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)

Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)

Kentuckiana Minority Business Council (KMBC)

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)

Women Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC)

Women Business Enterprise (WBE)

Small Business Administration (SBA)

8(a) & Small Disadvantage Business (SDB)

Louisville & Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD)

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Women Business Enterprise (WBE)

PARTICIPATING SUPPORTING AGENCIES

Kentucky Association of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (KADBE)

Kentucky Procurement Assistance Program (KPAP)

